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Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice
(Formerly the Virginia Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Advisory Committee)

Meeting Minutes

April 30, 2003

A meeting of the Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice was held on Wednesday, April 30, 2003, at 805 E. Broad Street, in the 3rd Floor Training Room.

Members Present

Captain Thomas E. Bennett, Proxy for Chief Mook
Pamela Fitzgerald Cooper, Proxy for Dr. Reinhard
Dr. Lissa Power-deFur, Proxy for Dr. DeMary
Lloyd C. Dunnivant, Chair
Lynette Greenfield, Proxy for Jerrauld Jones
Susan C. Laughrun
Dr. Jay W. Malcan
Cathleen Newbanks, Proxy for Maurice A. Jones
Robert E. Shepherd, Jr.
Wayne Thomas, Vice-Chair
The Honorable Sharon Breeden Will
Justin Wilson

Members Not Present

Henry N. Azais
Guy E. Cousins
Aaron S. Foldenaur
Michael Farley
Russell B. Foot
The Honorable Mary K. Hill
The Honorable Janet D. Howell
Iris B. Jessie
Ty F. Parr
Daniel L. Plaugher
Patrick Henry Sweet, III
The Honorable Robert J. McCabe
The Honorable Robert F. McDonnell

DCJS Staff Present

Nancy Bacot
Will Bronson
Dr. Aura Hanna
Laureen Hyman
Laurel Marks
Ursula Murdaugh

I. Welcome and Call to Order – Lloyd C. Dunnivant

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Lloyd C. Dunnivant. New members were welcomed and all present introduced themselves to the group. Ms. Cathleen Newbanks is now the Proxy for Maurice A. Jones and Captain Thomas E. Bennett, attended the meeting as Proxy for Chief Mook.

II. Review and Approval of Minutes – Lloyd C. Dunnivant

Mr. Dunnivant asked if there were any comments, additions or deletions to be made to the minutes from the February 14, 2003, meeting of the ACJJ. Hearing none, a motion was made by Wayne Thomas, and seconded that the minutes be approved as written. The motion passed unanimously.

III. DCJS Juvenile Services Section Staffing Changes/Introduction of New Compliance Monitor – Laurel Marks

Laurel Marks introduced the new Compliance Monitor, Will Bronson. Mr. Bronson came from CSA, and has previous experience with the Norfolk and Petersburg CSUs.

IV. Compliance Report – Will Bronson

Will Bronson informed the group that he has visited two facilities to monitor compliance since he began at DCJS: New River Valley Detention Home and Henrico County Juvenile Detention Home.

Will Bronson also met with Dennis Mondoro, the state contact at the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP). Several issues were discussed. DCJS received tentative approval to submit calendar year 02 and fiscal year 03 reports at the same time. They must be submitted by December 31, 2003.

Changes to the new JJDP Act of 2002 were also discussed. Some of the highlights are:

- **Valid court order for status offenders.** The new act states that detention hearing now must be conducted within 48 hours of being placed in custody. During that time period, an in-person interview, that may be conducted in-house, must be submitted to the court.
- **Regarding co-location,** the separate staff requirement has been eliminated. Specific training will now be required for staff working with juveniles.
- **Rural exception change:** Expands the current period allowed for detention of juveniles where facilities are in rural locations from 24 hours to 48 hours.
- **DMC:** Disproportionate Minority Confinement will be expanded to Disproportionate Minority Contact.

This information will be disseminated to CSU Directors and Detention Center Superintendents. Will will be presenting the changes to the Superintendents on June 4th.

Will Bronson reported that Dennis Mondoro informed him that OJJDP will be enforcing the separation requirement requiring that individuals convicted as adults in circuit court be separated from juvenile delinquents once the individual turns 18.

V. Appropriations Update

The juvenile program funding was reduced appreciably in federal appropriations.

Total programs for FY02: \$305.9 million

Total programs for FY03: \$257.8 million

State JAIBG funds received a cut of approximately \$900,000 from FY02-03. Title V had an appropriation, but after the earmarks, there were no funds available to distribute to the states. For Title II for FY03, the amount was reduced to \$1,392,000 from \$1,584,000. The FY04 budget has not been finalized.

Our Three Year Plan and Title II application has been submitted for Title II funding. It will then be printed and distributed and placed on-line. The plan will be distributed to committee members at the June meeting prior to being distributed to others. The plan includes a much larger data section as more data from DJJ was used this year than ever before. The Challenge application was also submitted on-line.

VI. Consideration of Title II Grants – Nancy Bacot

New Grants: Total funds: \$644,789

Danville, York, Montgomery, Virginia Beach, Lynchburg, Loudoun, and DCJS.

All accepted. However, Lynchburg needs to resubmit with clarified information. We had \$881,086 available, so we are well within that amount.

Continuation Grants: Total funds: \$806,675

Loudoun, Fauquier, Arlington, Roanoke, Norfolk, Tidewater Regional Group Home, Charlottesville, Middle Peninsula, Northern Neck, Community Services Board, City of Richmond, Newport News, Fairfax, Local office on youth. We have sufficient funds to continue them all.

A motion was made by Judge Sharon Breeden Will, seconded and approved, with the following abstentions:

Abstentions:

Robert E. Shepherd, Jr.-from any City of Richmond grant (Member of Richmond Court Advisory Board)
Captain Thomas E. Bennett-from any Newport News grant
Jay Malcan-from any City of Richmond grant
Pamela Fitzgerald Cooper-from any grant having to do with CSB
Susan Laughrun-from the Newport News/Hampton Continuation grant
Cathleen Newbanks-from any grant having to do with DSS

VII. Consideration of Title V Delinquency Prevention Grants - Wayne Thomas

Continuation Grants: Total funds: \$456,003

Portsmouth, Stafford, Tazewell, Frederick, Loudoun, City of Petersburg, James City, and City of Richmond.

New Grants: Total funds: \$151,047

Newport News, City of Richmond, Isle of Wight, City of Hampton.

Two new grants were denied funding based on the unavailability of funds. These localities are Prince William and Staunton.

A motion was made by Justin Wilson to approve the recommendations, was seconded and approved with the following abstentions:

Abstentions:

Robert E. Shepherd, Jr.- any City of Richmond grant (Member of Richmond Court Advisory Board)
Captain Thomas E. Bennett-from any Tidewater and Newport News grants
Jay Malcan-from any City of Richmond grant
Pamela Fitzgerald Cooper- from any grant having to do with CSB
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VIII. One-Time Special Fund Initiative - Ursula Murdaugh

The information has been provided to potential applicants and applications are due May 15th. This is an on-line application initiative. DCJS is providing the match for JAIBG. Localities need to identify if they are requesting JAIBG or Title II funds and localities will also need to prioritize their applications.

A sign up sheet was passed around for a subcommittee to review the one-time special fund applications, and it was noted that the funds will need to be expended within July and September, 2003.

IX. JJDP Conference Update – Laurel Marks

The agenda for the JJDP Conference will soon be on-line. Hard copy brochures are not being sent out – only postcards are being distributed. This information will be e-mailed to all Advisory Committee members for them to distribute as they see fit. James Garbarino is the guest speaker for the plenary session on Monday the 16th and is also leading a workshop session. Michael Finley of the Haywood Burns Institute will be presenting at the plenary session on Tuesday regarding Disproportionate Minority of Representation and is also leading a workshop session on Tuesday.

The Board meeting for the ACJJ will take place on Sunday June 15th. Grant review will be from 4-6, and the Board meeting will be at 6pm.

X. ACJJ Conference Reports – Lloyd Dunnivant

Committee members shared information about various items of interest.

XI. New Business

Judge Sharon Breeden Will thanked Laurel Marks and Aura Hanna for speaking to the disproportionate minority representation issue at the recent judges conference.

XII. Adjourn Business Meeting

A motion was made for the meeting to adjourn at 2:10.